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GOVERNOR NAMES MARTIN TO GAME AND FISH COMMISSION
Jennifer Martin Begins Commissioner Role Immediately

PHOENIX – Governor Janet Napolitano appointed Jennifer Martin of Phoenix to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission. Martin is replacing W. Hays Gilstrap immediately.

Governor Napolitano nominated Martin to serve as a commissioner January 6, 2006 and her nomination was transmitted to the Senate for confirmation. Despite strong support from the National Rifle Association, four past commissioners, hunters, anglers and conservationists, the Arizona Senate took no formal action on her nomination during the 2006 Legislative session.

“Jennifer’s strong scientific background in wildlife management and her respect for fishing and hunting make her a perfect fit for the Arizona Game and Fish Commission,” said the Governor. “I look forward to working with her and the rest of the Commission.”

Martin graduated from Northern Arizona University with a degree in Biology and specializes in Wildlife Management. She has previously worked with the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies Conference and the North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference. She is also a former Game and Fish Department employee.

Martin will remain a commissioner for one year and must be confirmed by the Senate on or before June 22, 2007.